



DEPARTING PRINCIPAL

PLAQUE STYLE bookends bearing the crest of the University of Western Ontario were the gift of Harrison Public School's graduating class to their principal Harold Henry, who the class banquet was held at the school on Thursday, June 10th. Anne Peterson, who with another grade eighter, Jim Little, made the presentation, is pictured here holding one of the bookends with her principal who transfers his principal's duties to North York in September.

Guelph Reception Follows Bailey-Rocher Wedding In Acton

A motor trip to the southern United States followed the wedding of Avelina Eileen Rocher and Allan Thomas Bailey at St. Joseph's rectory, Acton on May 28. Father V. J. Morgan officiated at the 11 o'clock ceremony.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. Carlos Rocher and the late Mrs. Rocher of Acton, and is employed at Arton Creamery Ltd. The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Bailey, of Georgetown, and works at Smith and Stone Ltd. here.

The bride wore a floor length gown of nylon tulle with lace edging the three tiers of the very full handkerchief skirt worn over layers of tulle and taffeta. The gown was styled with a portrait neckline and brief sleeves with pleating inserted at the bodice. She wore matching gloves, and her fingertip veil fell from a pearl tiara. She carried red roses and stephanotis.

Mrs. Gertrude de Bruyn of Acton was matron of honor. Her gown of pink nylon over taffeta was softly draped and pleated

Parting Gift for Wife of Minister

Mrs. Victor MacDonald was hostess for the June meeting of the Park group of St. John's United Church W.A. on Wednesday afternoon with Mrs. J. Kirkwood presiding. Mrs. M. G. McFarlane gave a most inspiring devotional based on Matthew 16 chapter and verse 34. "Jesus wants us to regard each day as a gift from God and to live each day by itself; yesterday is with God, tomorrow is with God and only today is ours. Each day has its own problems; let us not live in the shadow of yesterday nor worry about tomorrow, leave these in God's hands and put our trust into the present," stated Mrs. McFarlane, "prayer and communion with God are imperative."

Mrs. McFarlane was presented with a farewell gift as this would be her last meeting with the group. Mrs. Brownridge expressed the regret of the meeting and thanked Mrs. MacDonald for her generous sharing of her talents and her readiness to help in many ways. Mrs. McFarlane thanked the ladies for their gift.

The regular offering took the form of a fine of a cent an inch for the waistlines which were carefully measured.

Mrs. H. Curtis conducted a "Kitchen" contest which was won by Mrs. MacDonald and Mrs. Brownridge. Mrs. Nielsen also had a contest of naming the leaves of plants and trees with Mrs. Brownridge and Mrs. Johnston being the winners. Mrs. Harrison and Mrs. Peitch assisted the hostess in serving a delicious cup of tea. Mrs. G. Urquhart moved a vote of thanks to all who had contributed. The group will meet again in September.

Social and Personal

Friends and relatives of Mr. and Mrs. Art Scott, Maple Avenue West, surprised them on Saturday evening with a party in their honour on the occasion of their Twenty-fifth wedding anniversary.

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Diary of a Vagabond

BY DOROTHY BARKER

I never thought I'd succumb to a sound up to myself as a community into themselves. Persons with too much leisure and not enough responsibility to fill their time. So they take to watching the skies for their feathered friends, I decided, in order to jot down data for records, only a few would be interested in. Or at least I thought this was a good description of bird watchers at the time.

mate scolded and hopped around like a sound up to myself. They were my chief source of interest and amusement for three days. Finally, apparently the house was to Jenny's liking, and she settled down to raise her family. Now her mate's song almost burst his tiny throat. This was dangerous, for it attracted a red squirrel who reconnoitred the house, surveyed the possibility of gnawing the hole large enough to admit his supple body and was about to begin his murderous operation when another drama in nature's story unfolded.

That was before a recent morning when I stretched out on a sun cot under the old apple tree to contemplate, with considerable relish, plans for my summer travels. I felt it needed this period of relaxation after my strenuous day conducting my first "tour" it still seemed a miracle to me that I had safely delivered six small youngsters to their parents from the wilds of Ontario's vacationland following that memorable party train jaunt.

On a topmost bough a huge robin took up sentry duty. Every time the squirrel would approach the house, the robin would dive bomb him. Jenny never budged during all this alarming evidence that an enemy was present.

I don't know why I did not recognize the first symptoms of bird watchingitis. For I had purchased a most attractive bird house at an auction and hung it high on a bough overhanging the patio. Evidently I had tried to subconsciously convince myself I made this purchase merely because the house was such an unusual type. I simply thought it would add to the atmosphere of our outdoor living room.

I watched avidly for days, hoping to see the young parents teach the hirrlings to fly, but I never did. They must have spirited them away during the night, or under cover of a shower. But I have caught the birdwatching fever and it is costing me money. Bird books, binoculars, rubber boots for swamp wading, records to identify bird calls and a whistle guaranteed to attract my newly found feathered friends, have been added to my belongings.

Amidst the drone of humble bees and wasps, the croak of the bull frog in the farm pond and the baying of a hound two farms away, I had become conscious of a flutter and chirping that attracted my attention to the bird house.

Hird watchers I have found are moralizers. They would have the human race imitate the winged population of this crazy old world. Birds, with their open sky policy, loyalty to mates and excessive industry should, they feel, set an example for us, befuddled and frightened mortals who search the skies these days, but not for birds.

WORDS TO THE WISE

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1959 A Successful Year In Canadian 4-H Work

Canada's 4-H club movement has received widespread approval and support and 1959 was one of the most successful years in the organization's 20-year history. J.E. McArthur, President of the Canadian Council on 4-H Clubs, told the Council's annual meeting at Victoria, B.C.

But, he added, substantial contributions have been made by the Council through direct funding of the program at the national level, serving as the clearing house for ideas and solutions to problems; rendering assistance to the development of club work on a sound and constructive basis; financing programs and services of various kinds including National 4-H Club Week, holding a yearly conference, conducting an exchange program with the United States, and a National 4-H Supply Service.

He said one of the basic reasons for formation of the organization in 1931 was to unite agriculture and industry in coordinating club work across Canada and to provide leadership and assistance to the provinces.

"Throughout the years, progress and harmony have prevailed in maintaining the high ideals upon which the council was founded and in extending the services it was designed to render," said Mr. McArthur.

He pointed out that the Council does not direct or dictate

the methods through which 4-H programs are conducted in the provinces.

Survey Shows 25% Farm Families Have Accidents

About one in every four farm families in Canada is involved in a farm accident, and one in every fifty is fatal.

This was indicated in a cross country farm accident survey taken for a year's period which has just been completed. Results are announced by J. S. Whyte, Chairman of the Agriculture, Committee of The Canadian Chamber of Commerce, and J. E. McArthur, President of the Canadian Council on 4-H Clubs.

In the period studied, according to the survey, over 50 per cent of all farm accidents involved under 20 age groups. July is the most "dangerous" month of the year and accounted for 13 per cent of accidents. August was second. May third.

One out of every four accidents involved farm machinery. A female was involved in one out of every five farm mishaps.

Mr. Whyte said that a report containing a composite picture of the Canadian farm accident situation would be available in printed form in about six weeks' time. "These statistics," he said, "should make possible more effective farm accident prevention programs."

The survey was carried out by the Canadian Council on 4-H Clubs, the Provincial Departments of Agriculture, the Canadian Chamber of Commerce, the Canada Department of Agriculture, and the Canadian Federation of Agriculture.

Mr. Whyte paid special tribute to members of the 4-H Clubs for the "important part they played in reporting accidents to people living on farms for the purposes of this survey."

Province by province statistics are being mailed to the provinces for their study.

Wild Carrot A Noxious Weed

Wild Carrot with its large lacy white flowers and fern-like leaves is a common sight along our roadsides, in pastures, meadows and sometimes in parks. It is often referred to as "Queen Anne's Lace" and can be quite attractive in one sense, on the other hand the Ontario Department of Agriculture warns that it is a noxious weed and every effort should be made to keep it under control.

The majority of wild carrot plants are biennials, producing only leaves the first year, and flowers and seeds the second year, but annual types which set seed the first year have also been found as have a few short-lived perennials. In appearance the leaves resemble the garden variety, the taproot also has an odor similar to the garden carrot but it is white in colour rather than orange. This weed is also host to the "carrot rust fly" and may cause damage to carrot, parsnip, celery and parsley crops.

It does appear that there are two reasons chiefly responsible for the rapid spread of wild carrot in Halton County in recent years. The first cause can be attributed to nature, in that carrot tops blow across the snow in winter, for quite long distances dropping seeds here and there along the way. Secondly the large acreage of abandoned farmland in this County is an ideal nursery for this noxious plant.

One cannot help but note that we have a number of farmers who have defied this intruder to become established on their premises. In some cases they are fighting a hard battle and are to be congratulated for their success. I know of farmers who are so concerned that they scour every acre each year and pull and burn any wild carrot plants that have invaded their property.

Wild carrot can be brought under control in this County, but it will require an honest and continued effort on the part of all citizens and authorities in charge of private and public property.

Weed Control News

by V. E. McArthur, County Weed Inspector

Grade III Piano — Gloria Turnbull (hon.); Janis Chaplin.

Grade VI Piano — Barbara Evans, Mary McNamara.

Grade VIII Piano — Paul Baker (hon.).

Grade I Singing — Jane Bouskill (1st class hon.).

Grade II Singing — Roger Smith (1st class hon.), Vivien Perry (1st class hon.), Carol McGilvray (hon.).

Grade IV Singing — Joan Beatty, Milton (1st class hon.).

Grade VI Singing — David Farrell (1st class hon.), Robert McEubner (hon.), Sharon Sweeney (hon.).

Lorne Garvin Family Hosts on Sunday To Family Reunion

Mr. and Mrs. Lorne Garvin, R.R. 1, Glen Williams, were hosts Sunday to relatives and friends when the Garvin family reunion was held at their 9th line home.

With Mr. and Mrs. Garvin and their daughter Loraine for the day were, John Doherty, Mr. and Mrs. George Sargent and family, Mr. and Mrs. Merl Reid and family, Mr. and Mrs. Len Murdoch, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Garvin, Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Garvin of Detroit, Mr. Harvey Garvin, Mr. and Mrs. Vern Kirby, and Mr. Wes Brennan.

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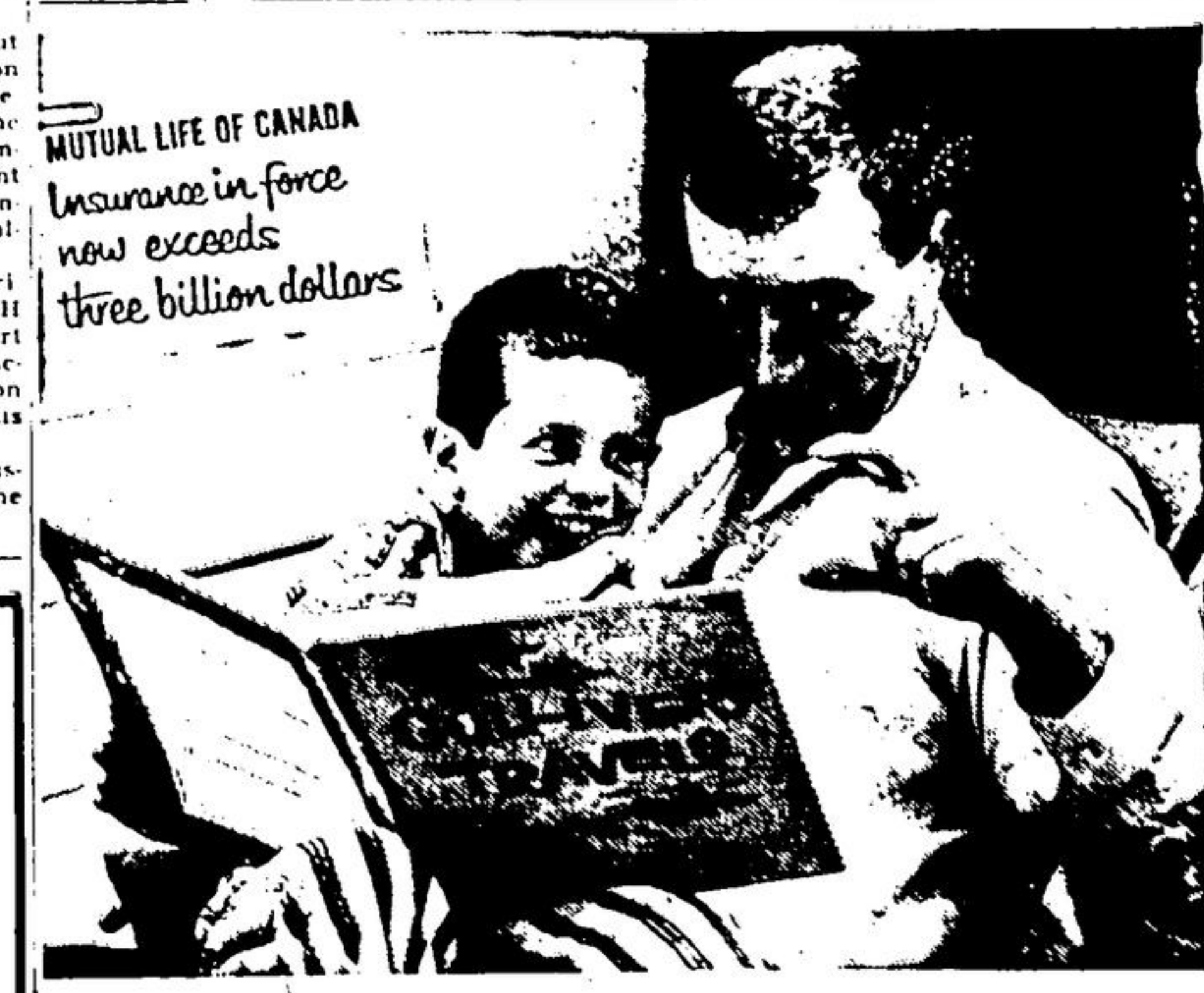
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